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SUBJECT:APRIL 28 EA PRESS SUMMARY

### 1. BRZEZINSKI SPEECH

BRZEZINSKI ADDRESSED NY'S JAPAN SOCIETY 4/27, DECLARED  
"NO RELATIONSHIP" IN US FONPOL MORE IMPORTANT THAN  
JAPAN'S. NSC CHIEF EMPHASIZED US' CONTINUING ROLE IN  
ASIA/DENIED US W/DRAWING FROM AREA. URGED JAPAN  
ASSUME MORE POSITIVE INTL ROLE COMMENSURATE W/ITS  
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VASTLY EXPANDED ECON GROWTH. ON CHINA, SAID NORMALIZATION  
IMPORTANT/NOTED HE WILL CONSULT W/CHINESE NEXT MONTH  
ON MAJOR INTL ISSUES. RE SK TROOP PULLOUT, SAID  
W/DRAWAL WOULD BE CARRIED OUT IN "PRUDENT FASHION."  
ALSO STRESSED NEED FOR CONTINUED EXPANSION IN WORLD  
TRADE/EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE IN GENEVA MULTILAT TRADE  
TALKS SCHEDULED FOR THIS SUMMER (CHAPIN, NYT; SUN).

REUTER'S HARRIS (4/27) SAYS BRZEZINSKI SPOKE OF SINO-AMERICAN RELS AS BEING MORE VITAL TO US INTERESTS THAN HAS BEEN ACKNOWLEDGED BY ANY OTHER OFFICIAL. STATES SOME DIPLO ANALYSTS BELIEVE BRZEZINSKI MAY BE APPLYING PRESSURE ON MOSCOW VIA BETTER US-PRC RELS.

## 2. JAPAN

WH FORMALLY ANNOUNCED 4/27 FUKUDA WILL VISIT US BEGINNING 5/1 FOR TALKS W/PRES CARTER/CONGRESS (REUTER 4/27).

TESTIFYING BEFORE SFRC 4/27, DEP TRADE REP WOLFF TERMED JAPAN'S INITIAL TARIFF CUT OFFER AT GENEVA TRADE TALKS DISAPPOINTING/SAID IT WOULD LEAVE TARIFFS UNACCEPTABLY HIGH. ADDED US-JAPAN TRADE RELS AT CRUCIAL STAGE/HAD LONG WAY GO TO MAKE IT MORE EQUITABLE. EA'S PLATT, ALSO BEFORE CMTE, STATED PROSPECTS FOR US-JAPAN RELS GOOD, THO SAID WAS NOT EXPECTED ANY PARTICULAR PROBLEM WOULD BE SOLVED DURING FUKUDA'S TALKS HERE (REUTER 4/27).

MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC HAS THREATENED FILE COMPLAINT W/GATT AGAINST US TREASURY'S 46-MIL-DOL DUMPING DUTIES IMPOSED ON JAPANESE COLOR TV EXPORTS BETW 1972-73  
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(UPI, JOC).

DATSUN HAS SENT 12-MAN TEAM TO US FOR "ADVANCED FEASIBILITY STUDY" FOR US MFG PLANT. NISSAN MOTOR SPOKESMAN IN CALIF SAID DATSUN "PRETTY SERIOUS" ABOUT US PLANT, BUT EMPHASIZED DECISION WON'T BE MADE UNTIL FULL REPORT MADE TO NISSAN TOP MANAGEMENT IN JAPAN (APCAR, WSJ).

JAL FORCED CANCEL MANY INTL/DOMESTIC FLIGHTS 4/27 DUE STRIKE OF COCKPIT/CABIN CREWS. JAL OPERATED ONLY 29 OF ITS PLANNED 132 FLIGHTS THURS (REUTER TOKYO 4/27).

JAPAN SHIPOWNERS ASSN SAID THURS ITS MEMBER FIRMS HAVE NOT AGREED JOIN NEW INTL TANKER CONSORTIUM SCHEME PROPOSED BY NORWAY (JOC).

## 3. CHINA

UK BUSINESS MISSION SAYS PRC EAGER BOOST TRADE BY OPENING EXPORT-ONLY FACTORIES/PRODUCING GOODS UNDER FORN BRAND NAMES. MISSION--REPRESENTING MAJOR BRITISH

FIRMS--ALSO SAID PRC HAD ACKNOWLEDGED ITS GOODS NOT ALWAYS UP TO STD ON BOTH HOME/OVERSEAS MKTS (REUTER, JOC).

#### 4. PHILIPPINES

IN 4/27 TESTIMONY BEFORE HOUSE SUBCMTE ON INTL RELS, EUGENIO LOPEZ URGED US W/HOLD MIL ASSISTANCE FROM

GOP/IDENTIFY ITSELF W/"DEMOCRATIC SOUL OF THE PHILIPPINE PEOPLE."

ALSO TESTIFYING WAS CORNELL PROF GEORGE KAHIN, WHO WITNESSED RECENT PHILS ELECTIONS. HE SAID GOP'S UNCLASSIFIED

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POLICY POL REPRESSION/GROWING RESORT TO TORTURE/SECRET EXECUTIONS HAD ESCALATED SIGNIFICANTLY SINCE ELECTIONS. SAID MARCOS' "RUTHLESS SYSTEM OF GOVERNANCE" NOT COMPATIBLE W/MINIMAL STANDARDS HUMAN RTS PUBLICLY SUBSCRIBED BY CARTER ADMIN OR PRUDENT/RESPONSIBLE CONDUCT US POLICY.

OPENING HEARINGS, REP RYAN (R-CA) SAID MARCOS' "SELF-PROFESSED GOAL" TO CONVINCE US/OTHERS THAT PHILS IS RESPECTFUL OF HUMAN RIGHTS APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN "DISMAL FAILURE" (REUTER 4/27).

#### 5. THAILAND

JOC'S LORENZ (BANGKOK) REPORTS THAILAND'S PRINCIPAL AGRIC EXPORTS--RICE/SUGAR/MAIZE/TOBACCO--EXPECTED DROP IN '78. RICE DROP DUE DROUGHT, SUGAR TO WORLD GLUT/FALLING PRICES, MAIZE TO LEFTOVER STOCKS. NOTES TAPIOCA/RUBBER EXPORTS EXPECTED RISE.

#### 6. THAILAND/MALAYSIA

GOM/RTG TROOPS HAVE LAUNCHED JOINT OPRN AGNST COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS/FOUGHT "SHORT BUT BLOODY" BATTLE IN JUNGLE NORTH OF BETONG THIS WK IN FOLLOW-UP TO LAST YR'S DRIVE AGNST 3,000 GUERRILLAS OPERATING IN JUNGLE SANCTUARIES ALONG BORDER (STANLEY, REUTER BETONG).

#### 7. SINGAPORE

CONVICTED DRUG TRAFFICKER HANGED AT DAWN IN SINGAPORE FRI IN 1ST EXECUTION CARRIED OUT UNDER '75 NARCOTICS LAWS WHICH MAKE DEATH PENALTY MANDATORY FOR ANYONE UNCLASSIFIED

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CONVICTED OF TRAFFICKING IN MORE THAN 15 GRAMS HEROIN.  
REUTER (SINGAPORE) REPORTS OF 14 SENTENCED SINCE '75, 9  
STILL APPEALING SENTENCE/3 SENTENCES REDUCED/1 QUASHED.

8. CAMBODIA/VIETNAM

SRV AMB TO SRI LANKA THURS CHARGED CAMBODIA W/STEPPING UP  
BORDER ATTACKS ON VN/SOLDIERS/COMMITTING "BARBAROUS ATRO-  
CITIES." IN PRESS CONF, AMB LE BAO REPEATED SRV'S FREQUENT  
CALL FOR NEGOTS. SAID CAMBODIA DELIBERATELY PROVOKED  
CONFLICT/SYSTEMATICALLY ENCROACHING ON VIET TERRITORY/

COMMITTING ATROCITIES AGNST CIVILS (REUTER COLOMBO 4/27).

9. VIETNAM

LEADERS ANTI-COMMUNIST VIET EXILE/REFUGEE MOVEMENTS ASKED  
UN THURS TO MARK 3RD ANNIVERSARY END OF WAR W/INVESTIGA-  
TION OF VN HUMAN RTS SITUATION. HEADS OF NEARLY 20  
VIET EXILE MOVEMENTS/PUBLICATIONS DISTRIBUTED TEXT  
OF PETITION TO WALDHEIM WHICH ASKED UN AID IN FREEING  
POL PRISONERS/CALLED ON SEASIA GOVTS RESCUE BOAT  
PEOPLE. REUTER (PARIS 4/27) REPORTS REFUGEES ORGANI-  
ZING DEMONSTRATION AT EIFFEL TOWER SUNDAY TO MARK  
END OF WAR.

10. INDOCHINA REFUGEES

US/AUSSIE OFFICIALS THURS DISCUSSED PLIGHT VIET  
REFUGEES IN TALKS AT DOS. ASST SECY AUSTRALIAN  
IMMIGRATION DEPT CALLED ON ASST SECY DERIAN TO  
EXPLORE INTERNATIONALIZATION OF REFUGEE PROBLEM.  
EMB SPOKESMAN SAID CANBERRA WOULD LIKE US TAKE LEAD  
IN ENCOURAGING OTHER COUNTRIES ACCEPT REFUGEES. VP  
MONDALE EXPECTED TAKE UP REFUGEE QUESTION ON SEASIAN  
TRIP NEXT WK (REUTER 4/27).

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REUTER'S SHARROCK (MOMBASA 4/27) INTERVIEWS VIET  
FAMILY RESCUED IN S CHINA SEA BY GREEK FREIGHTER/TAKEN  
TO KENYA. TELLS OF HARD LIVING CONDITIONS FOR S  
VIETS NOT ALLOWED OUT OF RE-EDUCATION CAMPS/TO RUN  
BUSINESSES FREELY/BUY RICE AT OFFICIAL RATE. RELATES  
HOW THEY PLANNED ESCAPE FOR 2 YRS BY LENDING BOAT TO

FISHERMAN WHO USED IT UNTIL THEIR DAY OF DEPARTURE/WHY  
THEY RISKED LIVES TO ESCAPE.

11. AUSTRALIA

ALFA ROMEO OF ITALY HAS ASKED GOA FOR INCREASE IN  
QUOTA OF CARS IT CAN SELL IN AUSTRALIA, OFFERING IN  
RETURN TO BUY 7,000 TONS AUSSIE BEEF FOR ITS WORKERS'  
CANTEENS. JOC SPEC (SYDNEY) SAYS ORDINARILY SUCH  
BARTERING ARRANGEMENT FOR PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT  
WOULD BE QUICKLY DISMISSED; BUT GOA, DESPERATELY  
SHORT INTL MRKTS FOR BEEF, CONSIDERING PROPOSAL.

12. NEW ZEALAND

ON WAY FROM ADB MEET IN VIENNA TO IMFMEET IN MEXICO  
CITY, PM MULDOON TOLD LONDON NEWS CONF IT WOULD BE  
"DISASTROUS" FOR NZ/"DAMAGING" FOR BRITAIN IF EC

GOES THRU W/THREAT TO CLAMP TIGHT RESTRICTIONS ON  
LAMB IMPORTS FROM NZ. SAID NZ MORE CONCERNED ABOUT  
POSSIBLE "EC SHEEP MEAT REGIME" THAN ANY OTHER  
THREAT TO NZ TRADE "FAR BACK AS YOU CAN GO " (UPI  
LONDON, JOC).

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PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON WORLD HUNGER TO STUDY  
PROPOSAL BY ADB'S TAKASE WHICH DESIGNED INCREASE  
RICE PRODUCTION IN ASIA FROM PRESENT 2.2 TONS TO 4  
TONS PER HECTARE. PROGRAM TO COST 54 BIL DOLS, HALF  
OF WHICH TO BE SUPPLIED BY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES  
THEMSELVES/OTHER HALF THRU CONSORTIUM DONOR NATIONS,  
INCL JAPAN/US (NOVAK, CSM).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

14. CHINA

REUTER'S HARRIS (4/27) CITES WASHINGTON JOURNALIST  
LIZ DREW'S RECENT ASSERTION THAT BRZEZINSKI/VANCE AT  
ODDS OVER FORMER'S PLANNED PRC VISIT. ACCORDING  
DREW, VANCE BELIEVED TRIP'S TIMING OFF BECAUSE IT  
WOULD COMPLICATE US-SOVIET RELATIONS AT TIME WHEN  
DELICATE SALT NEGOTS IN PROGRESS. NOTES DOS' CARTER  
SAID REPORTED RIFT ONLY PRESS SPECULATION, BUT WOULD  
NOT COMMENT FURTHER.

NYT (4/27) CARRIED FULL-PG AD FOR DREW'S BRZEZINSKI ARTICLE IN 5/1 "NEW YORKER" MAG.

CSM'S SOUTHERLAND BELIEVES BRZEZINSKI TRIP LIKELY STIR NEW DEBATE OVER WHETHER US MOVING TOO FAST/TOO SLOW TOWARD NORMALIZATION. NOTES REPORTED DIFFERENCES BETW VANCE/BRZEZINSKI, STATING LATTER KNOWN FOR USING US-PRC RELS AS "CARD" TO KEEP SOVIETS OFF-BALANCE--AND THIS TRIP PROVES NO EXCEPTION. STATES ANOTHER AIM OF TRIP IS TO ASSURE PRC THAT US HAS CLEAR-CUT GLOBAL STRATEGY REGARDING USSR/OTHERS.

15. KOREA

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SUN EDIT SEES REP HANNA'S SENTENCING IN KOREA BRIBERY AFFAIR SERVING AS REMINDER TO HOUSE TO REFRAIN FROM UNDOING REFORMS IT ADOPTED LAST YR--ESPEC W/REGARD TO PUBLIC DISCLOSURE CONGRESSMEN'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES.

CHITRIB EDIT URGES IN-DEPTH INQUIRY INTO SHOOTING

DOWN OF KAL JET OVER USSR LAST WK. OBSERVES PEACEFUL CITIZENS SHOULD EXPECT BE ABLE TAKE AIR TRIP W/O THEIR PLANE BEING STRUCK BY CANNON FIRE FROM SOVIET INTERCEPTORS. VANCE

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